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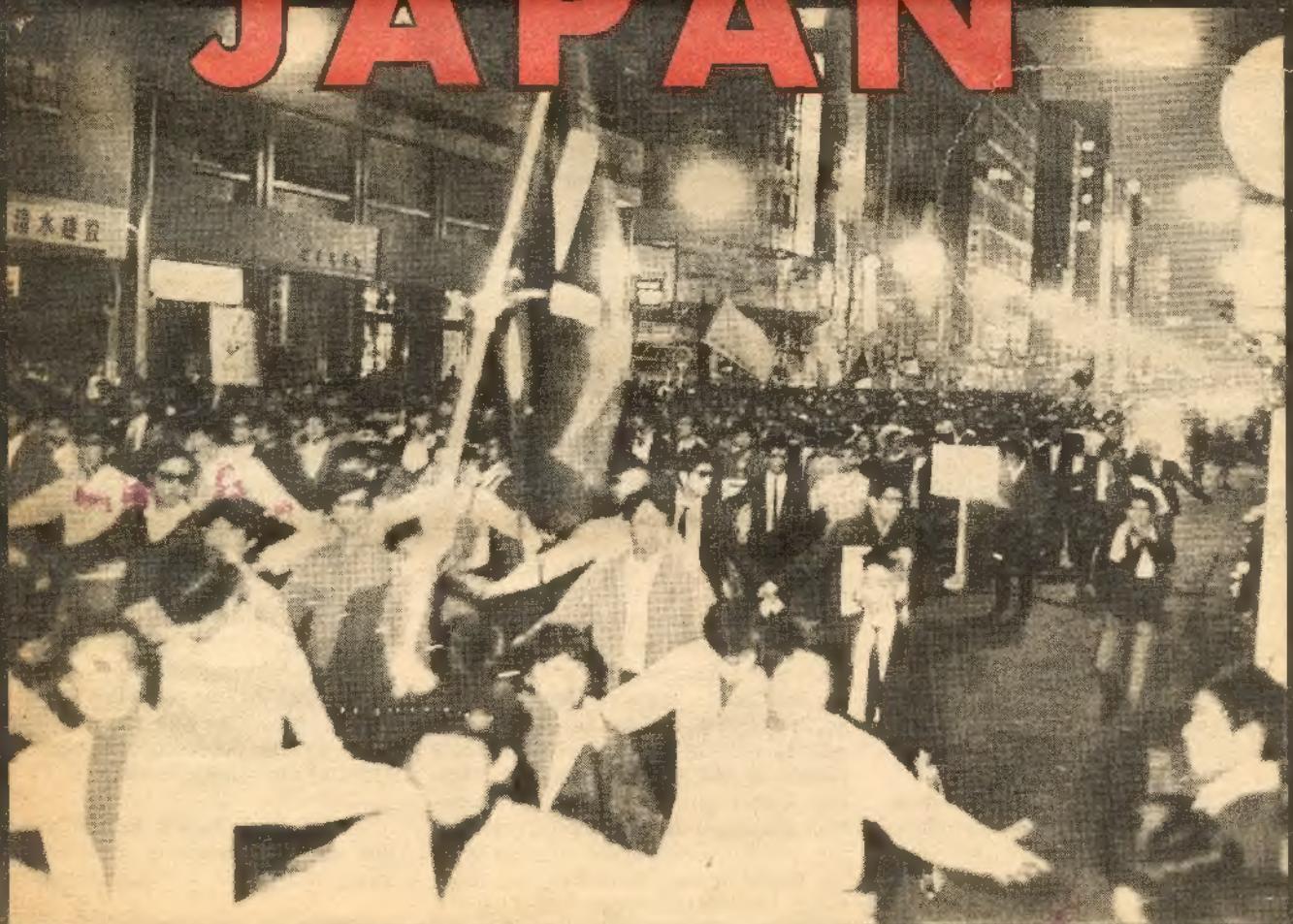
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# YOU CAN BE CONTROLLED

## ONLY IN AMERICA

### CAN A RIZZO BECOME MAYOR

The scene in Philadelphia (Pennsylvania) is reminiscent of Italy in pre-World War II days, when Benito Mussolini became the fascist dictator of that country. Francis L. Rizzo has become mayor of this city of "brotherly love". Though Rizzo, a Democrat, did not run on a ticket labeled Fascist, as Mussolini did, he used the same fear and hate tactics to grab the mayoralty position.

For those of you who may not be familiar with the name and actions of this enemy of the People, a brief run-down of his "career" is in order. Rizzo was the Police Commissioner of the Philadelphia Police Department from 1967 to 1971, having brutalized his way up through the ranks from a pig on the beat. He failed the exam for captain, by the way, but a bit of political wheeling and dealing overcame that little problem. Some of the things he has done that would justify ranking him with Hitler, Mussolini and Company are:

March, 1964---Personally, viciously beat demonstrators at the State Building, who were peacefully protesting the refusal to admit Blacks to Girard College (including a 16-year old girl who later died).

November, 1967---Told his pigs, "Get their Black asses", at a peaceful demonstration of Black students at the Board of Education. Countless Black youth were brutalized by the pigs as a result.

August, 1970---Had members of the Black Panther Party stripped naked in the streets, in a devastating search and destroy mission on three of our offices.

April, 1971---Was present at an all-out skull-smashing attack on anti-Rizzo people (white), at a pro-Rizzo campaign rally, by uniformed pigs and the Civil Disobedience Squad.

These four incidents are only a few of Rizzo's crimes. While police commissioner, he always supported "policemen" who brutalized and murdered members of the community (Black, Brown and white). Needless to say,

none of the pigs involved have been convicted for their crimes.

Some of Rizzo's special quotes will be remembered in history: "Get their Black asses", at the demonstration described above; "They are yellow dogs and cowards", speaking of members of the Black Panther Party after the August 1970 raids; "We caught the bad Black Panthers with their pants down", another insane remark he made about the same vicious attack; "Only in America can a police chief become mayor", which is about the only truth he ever told, proving that the U.S. really is a police state.

Besides showing the Black community how he feels about us, through continuous murder and brutality by his pigs, he has slapped us in the face by his other actions, both before and after his campaign. Knowing that he would capture the mayoralty seat, he began to slide his men into the city administration, as far back as February of 1970. He attempted to have ex-policeman Halferty installed as Commissioner of the Streets Department. However, the brothers who collect the trash in the city refused to accept that, and staged a work slowdown. Under mountains of trash and facing an enraged Black community, Halferty resigned. Meanwhile, Rizzo had slipped in another cop, to be in charge of the Department of Licenses and Inspections. This almost went unnoticed, and, since then, it has been next to impossible to have a house certified as unfit for human habitation. We know who lives in those wretched houses!

To top it all off, his attempted manipulation of the School Board, through out-going Mayor Tate, is his reply to Black people's demand for self-determination. For a long while, he has had a running feud with the Superintendent of Schools, Mark Shedd, who is a little too liberal for Rizzo's tastes. Shedd, who is white, criticized Rizzo for the Board of Education massacre of 1967, having watched the grisly scene from a window in the Board of Education Building. Also, Shedd favored the Student Bill of Rights, which Rizzo naturally opposed. Rizzo



The RIZZO dynasty is trying to entrench itself completely in power.

made a campaign promise to fire Shedd "within 18 seconds" after he was elected mayor (which, by the way, would be an illegal act, as the mayor does not have that power). Caught in the middle of this feud was Rev. Henry Nichols, a Black minister on the School Board, who voted sometime back to retain Shedd as Superintendent (breaking a 3 - 3 tie vote). This, of course, brought down the wrath of Rizzo and Tate upon his head. When it became known that Tate did not want to reappoint Rev. Nichols (Tate does what Rizzo tells him, like a faithful dog), the Black community initiated a large campaign for his reappointment. In the face of 16,000 names on the petition, Tate-Rizzo (they are one) still refuses to reappoint the brother, telling him point-blank, "You can't be controlled." This is spit in the eye of the Black community. (NOTE: At least 60% of the children attending public school in this city are Black. Yet we do not compose even one-third of the school board!)

The School Board follies are not the only evidence of Rizzo's complete disregard for the education of

# COMBATTING GENOCIDE: PART III

In the struggle to survive the genocidal plans and designs of the U.S. Government, Black and other oppressed people are daily uncovering new facts and information vital to their survival. Since the early part of this year, much more information about Sickle Cell Anemia, a disease that particularly affects Black people (98% of its victims are Black) has been uncovered. In keeping with our policy of informing and educating our people to any threat to our survival, we presented this information to the people in the April 10, 1971 issue of our newspaper. (See Article entitled, "Black Genocide").

Not only have we begun an educational campaign around Sickle Cell Anemia, but we have also instituted a program to test people (free of charge) for the Sickle Cell Disease or trait. This is being done through our free health clinics located throughout the country. And, as a further outgrowth of all this, the Black Panther Party has founded a research foundation to discover more information about Sickle Cell Anemia and even a cure for the disease.

Since the initiation of our educational campaign around Sickle Cell Anemia, many groups and individuals have begun genuine efforts to research Sickle Cell Anemia (and other little-known and related blood disorders) that are truly in the People's interest. Among them is a group of Black medical students from Stanford University School of Medicine, in Stanford, California. They have organized the Mid-Peninsula Sickle Cell Foundation, under the direction and leadership of Brother Don Williams.

The students credit the Black Panther Intercommunal News Service and the articles, information on Sickle Cell Anemia, with providing the impetus to begin working to apply their skills for the people's survival. The first result of their efforts has been a brochure, containing information for the people about Sickle Cell Anemia and a related blood disease that also victimizes Black people particularly, known as G6PD (Glucose 6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase) Deficiency. G6PD, like Sickle Cell Anemia, is a blood deficiency affecting the red blood cells.

Because we are constantly searching for new information and ways to combat the genocidal plot of the U.S. Government, we reprint here excerpts from their brochure, TWO COMMON DISEASES OF BLACKS:



This information should be known and part of a person's medical record, as soon after birth as possible.

## ORIGIN OF SICKLE CELL ANEMIA AND G6PD DEFICIENCY

BY DON WILLIAMS

Blacks living in the malaria belts of Africa, particularly Eastern, Western and Central Africa have for centuries been exposed to malaria. Malaria is an infection caused by a parasite that destroys the red blood cells. There is evidence to indicate that African individuals carrying sickled cells and/or having decreased amounts of the enzyme G6PD in their red blood cells are more resistant to malaria.

Thus, as a process of natural selection (only the strong survive), Blacks came to bear these red blood cells which provided protection against a dreaded and deadly parasite. When Blacks were imported by the American Slave System to America where malaria is virtually non-existent the advantage of having Sickle Cell Trait or Glucose 6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase Deficiency was eliminated and an asset became a liability.

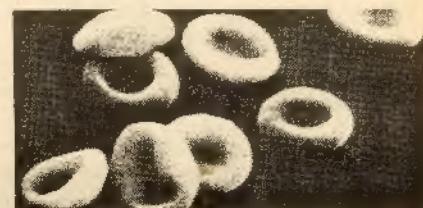
## DEFINITIONS WHAT IS ANEMIA?

Anemia is a lack of hemoglobin, the red coloring matter of blood. Hemoglobin supplies all of the body tissues with oxygen.

## WHAT IS SICKLE CELL ANEMIA?

Sickle Cell Anemia is an inherited

abnormal blood condition which occurs predominantly in Black people. There are two forms of Sickle Cell Anemia - Sickle Cell Disease and Sickle Cell Trait. The red blood cells contain an abnormal hemoglobin called Hemoglobin S, which causes them to take on an abnormal shape resembling a sickle. These sickled cells have a much shorter life span than normal cells because they are rapidly destroyed. The rate of destruction exceeds the rate of production and thus anemia results. The destruction of the red cell is called hemolysis. Therefore, we say SCA is a hemolytic anemia.



Normal, donut shaped, red blood cells.



Red blood cells taken from a patient in a sickle cell crisis. Three of the cells are sickled and the other stretching away from its normal, donut shape.

## WHAT IS GLUCOSE 6-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE DEFICIENCY?

This too, is an inherited abnormality of the red blood cells. The abnormality is due to a lack of Glucose 6 - Phosphate Dehydrogenase (G6PD). G6PD is an enzyme essential for the normal functioning of the red blood cells. When exposed to certain drugs the abnormal cells become leaky. Water enters the cells causing them to burst. This destruction is also called hemolysis. Thus, G6PD Deficiency is a hemolytic anemia also.

## WHAT IS A CARRIER?

A seemingly healthy person who carries an inherited defect that can be passed on to his children is called a carrier.

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# COMBATTING GENOCIDE:

## PART III

### CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE A CARRIER OF SICKLE CELL TRAIT

An individual who carries both the normal hemoglobin (Hemoglobin A) and the abnormal or sickle hemoglobin (Hemoglobin S) in his or her blood cells is a carrier of sickle cell trait.

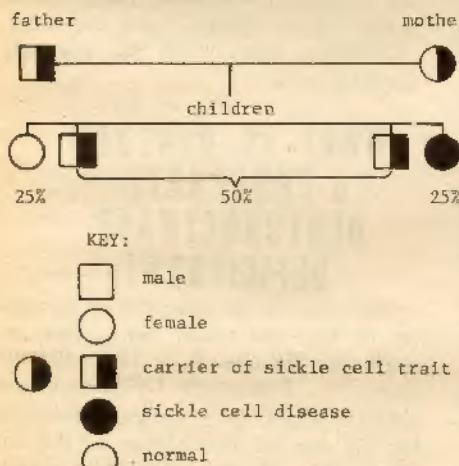
### A CARRIER OF G6PD DEFICIENCY

All carriers of G6PD Deficiency are women! However, all women who are carriers have red blood cells with normal levels of G6PD and red blood cells with low levels of G6PD.

### ETIOLOGY (CAUSES) WHAT CAUSES SICKLE CELL DISEASE?

When two carriers of Sickle Cell Trait marry, 25%, or 1 out of 4, of their children could have Sickle Cell Disease. That is, at each pregnancy there will be a 25% chance of the child having Sickle Cell Disease. This is illustrated by the family tree in Fig. 2. There are approximately 60,000 persons in the United States with Sickle Cell Disease. Ten percent of the Black population, 2.5 million persons, are carriers.

Fig. 2

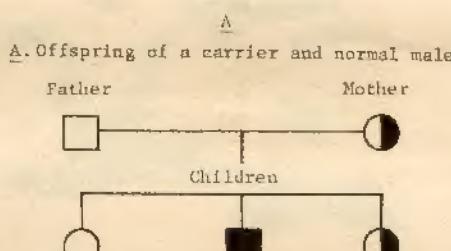


### WHAT CAUSES G6PD DEFICIENCY?

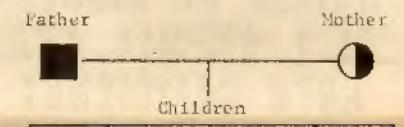
A carrier for the G6PD defect who marries a normal male can pass the defect to a daughter producing another carrier or to a son producing an affected individual. This disease is prevalent among Black American males with 13% of them being affected.

Another possibility is for a carrier to marry an affected male. Fifty percent of their daughters could have G6PD Deficiency because they have a defective gene on both X-chromosomes, the one from the father and the one from the mother (See Fig. 3). This situation is very rare and only 3% of Black American females have G6PD Deficiency.

Fig. 3



**B. Offspring of a carrier and affected male.** This is the only way a woman can have G6PD Deficiency.



KEY:

- male
- female
- male with G6PD Deficiency
- female with G6PD Deficiency
- ◐ female carrier of G6PD Deficiency

### SUMMARY - SICKLE CELL ANEMIA

Sickle Cell Anemia is not contagious! It is passed from parents to children. Black men and women are equally affected. Two carriers have a one-in-four chance at each pregnancy of having a child with Sickle Cell Disease. Fifty percent of the offspring resulting from a marriage between a carrier and a normal individual could be carriers and the other fifty percent could be normal. All children born to a family in which one parent has Sickle Cell Disease and the other parent is normal will be carriers.

### SUMMARY - G6PD DEFICIENCY

Males can only receive G6PD De-

ficiency from their mothers. Males are never carriers. Whenever they have the defect they are affected and will suffer symptoms when exposed to certain drugs. Females can be carriers or they can receive the defect from both parents and be affected. Generally the female carrier suffers no symptoms, however, there are some exceptions. The female receiving the defect from both parents will be affected in a manner similar to the affected male. The affected female is very rare. Approximately 3% of Black female population is affected in the United States.



**BROTHER SONNY JONES**  
is one in too many.

### SYMPTOMS WHAT SYMPTOMS DOES THE PERSON WITH SICKLE CELL DISEASE HAVE?

Persons with Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) are a lot like people with other types of anemias. They are usually short of breath and tire easily and they may have an enlarged heart due to the increased work placed on the heart by the lingering anemia.

However, the person with Sickle Cell Anemia has an abnormal hemoglobin which causes the red blood cells to assume an abnormal shape. These sickled cells jam the small blood vessels. This jamming cuts off the blood supply to the body tissues causing joint, stomach, back and bone pain; destruction of bone; rupture of small blood vessels causing frequent nose bleeds and even strokes; and an increased susceptibility to infection.

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# HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE Camps

There exists in Washington, D.C. a crisis of contradictions between a Nixon-appointed "City Council", committed to promoting the myth of a free society, and the struggle of the people to be truly free. The D.C. City Council has now before them, a blueprint for control. This blueprint is called, "A Regulation Governing the Conduct of Juveniles in Public Places", which would openly provide for the harassment of young Blacks, Chicano Brothers, runaways and "hippies", in order to maintain "safety" on the streets. Reverend Carlton Veazey, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, Washington, D.C. City Council, said of this plan, "What we are really aiming at is to try to COMBAT those youth who have nothing to do but hang on street corners, in businesses. THEY POSE A POTENTIAL DANGER TO THE SAFETY OF CITIZENS."

This plan, which Veazey insists is to curtail truancy and juvenile delinquency, would:

1. Keep anyone (even tourists) under the age of 17 off the streets or under the policeman's eye from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. There are no residency requirements and no legitimate excuses accepted for "violation" of the law.

2. Invoke a \$300.00 fine or 10 days imprisonment for poor parents whose children are caught only twice during a 12 month period. (We have information that they intend to lower the price fine to \$50.00, which is still an outrage for poor and oppressed parents.)

3. Force anyone stopped to identify themselves and provide proof of age and address or be subject to detention.

4. Even if you are with a parent, guardian or other adult during school hours, this law makes no exception, and you could still be hauled in for curfew violation at lunch time.



"THEY POSE A POTENTIAL DANGER TO THE SAFETY OF CITIZENS."

5. Eliminate field trips, individual study, museums, universities to be visited by youths. A high school student couldn't even go home for lunch, or go to a doctor for illness.

6. Invoke a \$300.00 fine or 10 days imprisonment for business owners who allow youths in their stores, movie houses, restaurants, etc., during the curfew hours.

7. Promote the destruction and disunity of poor families by providing that the children can be removed from the family in place of paying the \$300.00 fine.

Anyone can see that so-called "truancy" is handled by making schools responsive to the needs of the youth, and not the greedy desires of the bourgeois administrators. It is obvious that covert fascism (under America's bourgeois democracy) has not been enough to control the young generation of today.

This simple form of brainwashing, that had worked in the past in the schools, has not been working too well on most of our young people today. The U.S. felt and knew that a more open fascism was needed to maintain control of the youth.

The U.S. Government is beginning to realize that most Brothers and Sisters learn about survival from the streets, as well as home, not from the schools. People see, hear and feel their oppressive reality around them and they learn to respond to it. Many times it is through crimes against each other, and other times it is rebellion against

the oppressor himself. It is more the latter rebellion that scares Nixon, Veazey and the rest of the Council. In a city that is the home-base of this Empire, you can be sure that "Capitol Hill" voices its loud agreement with this regulation. The property of Senators and Representatives, along with the big businesses, is more important to this society than the struggle of young people to find a truly free society in which to live.

A young Black Sister, Denise Jamison, summed it up when she spoke of the curfew, "It's just something to lock us up and take our money away. They don't want Black people around anyway." Another Sister, Debbie Johnson, said, "How does he (Veazey) know that we are a potential threat to society? Has he ever gotten out there to find out? There are some beautiful people walking up and down the streets."

On an organizational level, groups like the Student Mobilization Committee, the Black Moratorium Committee, the United Student Front, D.C. Statehood Party and the Black Panther Party's Washington D.C. Chapter have been waging a battle against the curfew by educating the students and parents as to the consequences and real effects upon our lives. Through meeting with those who will be most directly affected, our youth, it has become clear that this tactic too, will fail, as exemplified by the statements above.

The struggle in Washington, D.C. is,

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# SCREAMING SILENTLY YOU'RE A MAN



November 10, 1971

## OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE

"Have you ever stood  
In the darkness of night  
Screaming silently you're a man  
Have you ever hoped  
That a time would come  
When your voice  
Would be heard  
In a noon-day sun..."

We, the slave convicts, prisoners, Black, Brown, and white alike of Parish Prison Annex, 500 Basin Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, are making an appeal to the people for support in our George L. Jackson Prison Movement, proving to the prison administration that the concentration camp technique won't work on us.

The men here are either on appeal or awaiting trial, both federal and state. Since we of the first floor, right side have to live here the longest, we're trying to have conditions changed so that we may live as men and human beings.

Here at Parish Prison Annex, we are gassed and maced at random, we shower whenever the captain feels like it. We live in cells on the first floor right side, where there are no sinks

(face bowls) to wash our hands or face when necessary. We don't have any lights in our cells, our cells are dark and the only light we receive is the reflections from the hall lights. We're deprived of reading materials. The reading materials that we are allowed are fiction books issued by the administration. We are locked in our cells 23 1/2 hours a day, normally, but if we are on lockdown, we can't come out of the cells at all, until the racist Major Barrerre decides. We are victims of constant racist attacks. We can't get medical attention when needed; we have to be half dead before we can get any medical attention. We are brutalized unmercifully and our lives threatened daily. These are only some of the atrocities perpetrated by the administration.

We are subjected to these wretched, dehumanizing conditions, mainly because we are isolated from the main prison (not saying these atrocities don't exist at the main prison). Parish Prison Annex is only known to a few people. It's an old complex of the first district police station. This jail was built for people coming in here and not staying more than 72 hours. But we on the first floor, right side (in state custody) are mostly on appeals and a few are awaiting trials; therefore, we are trying to have conditions changed so we can live as men and human beings while we are here.

All of the attention has been placed on the main prison at 531 South Broad; none has been placed on Parish Prison Annex, 500 Basin Street, because the officials have made it their objective to keep it non-existing. Neither the investigating committee that was chosen to investigate conditions at Parish Prison (531 South Broad) nor the news media have been sent to the Annex, to investigate the conditions, when both foundations serve the same purpose.

On October 27, 1971, three of us, inmates of Parish Prison ANNEX (Cleveland Shaw, Raymond Prieur and Shelly Batiste) arrested a prison guard to use as a vehicle of expressing our grievances to the public. However, we released him without obtaining the news media or someone who would make our grievances known to the people. As a result of this, we have been charged with aggravated escape, a trumped up charge, to intimidate us and give us some additional time without the people actually knowing what happened. Also, we have been put in the hole and told that we are not to shower or have mattresses until Major Barrerre decides. We were told that we are being treated in the like manner, that we are to live like animals and that we would be killed if we proceeded to change these wretched conditions or stand up for our manhood

The following is a letter. It is not just a letter, but an appeal. It is not any appeal, it is a cry for help. Those with ears may hear, for it has rung across this country, from one end to the other, from prison camp to prison camp. It is from your son, your brother, your husband, your people. It is a communication among our people, knowing that help for one is help for all. If it is not their cry, it is your cry, and surely its message is understood. The question, then, is to act upon what we understand:

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# IT'S THEM OR YOU



*BROTHER THOMAS MATHIEU saw these contradictions and understood them.*

On October 13, 1971, Brother Thomas J. Mathieu (of 1222 Forstall, in New Orleans, Louisiana) was suspended from his job for a period of three days. He received no pay during this period. He was released for refusing to carry out the orders of the racist New Orleans Housing Authority. He was ordered to evict a Black family from the "Scattered Sites" government projects. Brother Thomas was employed by H.A.N.O. (Housing Authority of New Orleans), working for meager wages as a maintenance repairman, in the Central Repair Department of the Housing Authority. As such, he was supposed to participate in physically removing people from their homes. As a man, he refused to comply.

On October 22, 1971, Brother Thomas was again told that this type of "work" was a necessary part of the Authority's program, that he was obligated to assist in eviction proceedings. Again, he refused to go along with and carry out such inhuman tactics against the people. He refused to put poor families and their furniture out onto the streets.

Very rarely do the duties of a maintenance man include evicting families. Such a job usually entails upkeep of a community's environment. The racist New Orleans Housing Authority's officials, however, send out Black maintenance men to evict Black families. This can only be viewed as

part of the age old tactic of this reactionary Empire, to divide and conquer: "if you don't put them out, we'll put you out." They send out Blacks to evict other Black families, sometimes with as many as six and seven children, so that there will be an attitude of hostility in our communities.

Because Brother Thomas saw these contradictions, and understood that the real contradiction was between H.A.N.O. and the people, he refused to comply with the boys of the Housing Authority. Naturally, as a result of his understanding, because Brother Thomas would not let himself be used as a tool, he was suspended, and later, fired. R.E. Evans, Chief of Maintenance, specifically gave him the order, and the suspension was confirmed by J. Gilbert Scheib, Executive Director of H.A.N.O.

The New Orleans Housing Authority has been and still is known for evicting Black and other poor and oppressed people into the streets, whether it is in the middle of a freezing winter or a sweltering summer, whether the family has no place to go except the sidewalk or streets. They do not care, nor have they ever cared, for the welfare of the people, nor do they have any regard for the rights of human beings. Their main objective is to suck up as much money out of the Black community as they possibly can.

It is this same New Orleans Housing Authority which has been conspiring all along with the New Orleans Police Department. In November of 1970, for example, on Thanksgiving morning, H.A.N.O. was to blame for the arrest of six Black Panther Party members in the Desire Projects. H.A.N.O. said these comrades were criminally trespassing on its property, although H.A.N.O. had refused to accept rent from them. The result of this arrest was that those six members of the Party stayed in jail for more than 11 months. While there, they suffered from lack of proper diet, no medical attention and the brutality of Parish Prison officials. Also, this same arrest resulted in false gun charges, by the federal government, being imposed upon those same comrades.

H.A.N.O. has proven, through past practices, that it overtly participates in the U.S. plot of genocide upon Black people. By renting the people dilapidated ruins, called apartments, it contributes everyday to Prison Warden Nixon's plan.

Brother Thomas would like to make known to Black people, particularly in New Orleans, to beware when moving into such places as "Scattered Sites" Housing Projects. Brother Thomas, because of his direct experience, urges the people to check out thoroughly such apartments, because of the games that H.A.N.O. and other such agencies are trying to run. He cited another example, to make his point clearer: There is one particular apartment, located at 710 Clouet Street, Apartment 10, which is no more than a death trap. It is an upstairs apartment, with an entrance leading from the streets. This apartment is one of "Scattered Sites" housing units. It has numerous defects on one side of the apartment and there are no locks for the outside of the apartment. This is not a mistake; it was intentionally put there by the contractors of H.A.N.O.

Brother Thomas J. Mathieu sees H.A.N.O.'s plot against his people. Knowing H.A.N.O.'s position in the community, Brother Thomas refused to play a role in their scheme, for he knows all too well that his family, mother or sister could be next for eviction.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
Serve the People  
Body and Soul  
Louisiana State Chapter  
Black Panther Party



DAVID HILLIARD, CHIEF OF STAFF

# WITH LOVE, FROM DAVID

People throughout the American and World communities witnessed the blatant railroad conviction of David Hilliard, Chief of Staff of the Black Panther Party, on political frame-up charges that were never proven. They witnessed David falsely charged and convicted of assault with a deadly weapon upon an Oakland policeman, although the prosecution and its witnesses could never even place a weapon in his hands. Not only were the charges unproven, but a jury of non-peers, totally unrepresentative of David's socio-economic or geographical peers, delivered the State's pre-planned conviction and sentence of one-to-ten years.

After his transfer to Vacaville (supposedly, the California Medical Facility), he was viciously harassed, as guards attempted to bait him into a reactionary response to their aggression. After he was transferred to CMC (California Men's Colony) at San Luis Obispo, California, he received practically the same treatment. At CMC, the harassment was, however,

intensified. While there (at CMC), his visitors were harassed, his mail slowed down, and gift subscriptions to magazines, or books of any kind (even Ebony magazine) were denied. Guards at CMC, who had no jurisdiction over David (even within their fascist framework), would harass him (in the early morning hours) to cut the grass, or do other such tasks, arbitrarily. When David would refuse, he would be taken before a disciplinary board. In one instance, another year was added to his time.

David was then secretly transferred to Folsom Prison. Folsom is supposed to be the maximum-maximum security prison in California. Situated in Northern California, isolated from any major urban city, Folsom Prison, carved from rock, has the reputation of "breaking tough guys". Folsom's Warden Craven has now begun his vicious campaign to crush the human dignity and spirit from David Hilliard. David is confined to Folsom's infamous "adjustment center" (known as 4-A), twenty-four hours a day. He was re-

cently "relocated" to another portion of the adjustment center. (The new area provides a bed of springs and wafer-thin mattress, as opposed to the old concrete slab with a wafer-thin mattress.)

Attempts to send the Chief of Staff reading materials and books, even those pertinent to his case and legal defense, have all been denied. An order of books (at the request of his attorney) was recently sent (through a local bookstore) to the prison. The box of books was returned to the bookstore. It had not even been opened. A letter was returned with the unopened package. Warden Craven advised the bookstore not to send anything else, as David Hilliard's books were all censored. (Of course, this makes no sense, since the books had not even been reviewed.) A nasty note was also sent to David (from the mail room), letting him know that the prison officials didn't care where the books came from, because they would see to it that he didn't receive them anyway.

Another vicious tactic was recently used on David's visitors. (According to California State laws, a prisoner may only have ten persons on his visitors list. This means that only a few people are allowed the opportunity to actually see David.) One of David's visitors, upon arriving at the prison, was denied entry. When she questioned this, she was escorted to the gates of the prison by three of Folsom's guards. Then, a shaking, six-foot, two-hundred pound pig charged that she had "falsified" her visiting form and would no longer be allowed to visit. When it was explained that the purposely-vague and confusing visiting form (that all visitors are required to fill out) was merely improperly filled out, she was told to leave, anyway.

David's correspondence from family, friends and supporters throughout the world is often held up or returned to the sender. His own letters to friends and family are returned to him, with varying petty excuses from Folsom officials. David is being denied everything and anything that would contribute to his survival and human dignity.

In spite of this dehumanizing treatment, David remains strong. He is the same vibrant, dynamic and revolutionary man, undaunted by Folsom officials' attempts to break his spirit. He is warmed and gratified by the many letters that he has received and the thousands of people who have signed petitions for his release.

David has asked us, therefore, to extend his personal thanks and apologies for not being to write to

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# UNITY OF CONVICTS

## THE CONCEPT OF UNITY AND THE PRIMACY OF ECONOMIC RELATIONS IN SOCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

In October, Mary Nell Williams received a letter from San Quentin Prison (California) advising her that she could no longer visit her husband, who is now an inmate there. Her husband is Randy Williams, a strong and devoted member of the Black Panther Party, who has been illegally incarcerated by the State since April of 1970.

The letter reflects the unbelievably limited thinking ability of maximum prison administrators, in their daily, infantile attempts to cut off communication between maximum and minimum inmates (those inside such prisons and those of us outside). The attempted insult of having a letter sent to Comrade Mary from such a low-level State employee as San Quentin's visiting and mail room guard, Lieutenant West, was negated by the unprofessional character of the note. Anyone who has ever visited San Quentin regularly is familiar with the personage of Lt. R.H. West, and knows of his inability to communicate with most human beings, a manifestation of his inability to think. This is probably why Associate Warden James W.L. Park was not aware of his employee's unauthorized letter-writing endeavors ("I don't see a copy of it in my files."). Of course, the entire administration was forced to stand behind their employee's individual attempts to separate not only a man and his wife, but also those on both sides of the walls.

Randy Williams had been at San Quentin less than one month before Comrade Mary received the letter (dated October 12, 1971): "Dear Mrs. Williams: Because of your conduct while visiting San Quentin on the 12th of October, 1971, you have been removed from inmate Williams (B36364) visiting card effective October 13th, 1971. I hope that when you are allowed to return to San Quentin you will obey our rules and conduct yourself as a lady. R.H. West, Mail and Visiting Lieutenant."

Because these minor efforts will neither cut off communication nor divide us, we print here Comrade Randy's latest essay, written for our paper, for all the People to see:



COMRADE RANDY WILLIAMS

thers, with "soul for the people", become enmeshed in the morass of racial chauvinism, thus missing the obvious fact that reverse racism is not going to bring about improvements in our lot or free our people.

The placing of the struggle upon a racial level does nothing more than position our people on the sacrificial altar and retard the development of a peoples' united front. A racial struggle would only succeed in unifying the whole of white society (the lower, middle and the upper ruling classes) against us. We would not gain freedom nor benefit from such an arrangement. We would, in fact, have become the saviors of the capitalist ruling circles and supporters of the prison administrators.

Instead of a united front of all politically exploited people (those oppressed economically, educationally and racially for the profit of the ruling capitalist class), we will have polarized white ethnic groups (Anglo-Saxon, German, Italian, Irish, all of those we so perfunctorily classify as members of a single homogenous race) and force them to support the programs and the policies of our common class enemies. We would in fact be guilty of assisting in the destruction of our people and also guilty of prolonging the exploitation of the rest of the world.

The capitalists, as a class, place things in their proper perspective, to the end of serving their own interests. They exploit white and Black,

and are limited only by what the people accept. Their primary goal is to make the "buck", the big buck. Simultaneously, the capitalists strive to utilize whatever means necessary to achieve this end and maintain control of the victims. State machinery is created to reflect their class interests. The whole of society's institutions are geared toward preventing the masses of the people (convicts included) from awakening to the fact that they are being manipulated and played out of pocket for the economic gain of the exploiters. Racism is a product of capitalist society, and as such, it should be recognized as the foul tool which only serves to divert people from the economic causes of social inadequacies and injustice. It, racism, has proven to be of inestimable value to the capitalist class in overcoming mass peoples' movements in this country. Unity of races within the exploited class is necessary for overcoming and transforming economic exploitation. It has been warded off by the skillful application of racial chauvinism, inherent in capitalist institutions. This innate racism manifests itself in various forms, ranging from complete apathy of the human rights and life of other ethnic groups, to virulent, mindless hatred, predicated upon the physical destruction of all those who differ in national background, etc. Whatever its form, it only serves to prevent overall unity, necessary to transform the cause of racial chauvinism. Capitalistic economic relations.

We are in agreement that the members of the upper, controlling classes are predominately white in color; just as in our prison environs the top administrators are white. However, we see the essence of racial distinctions. There are fundamental, qualitative differences which separate white convicts from white administrators. The major difference being the simple fact that the white convict is a prisoner and the administrators are the controllers. Racial unrest does not assist the convict in his struggle for freedom and a better existence. Whether a convict is Black or white is of no practical importance to the administrators. They oppress us all in the line of duty. In this mini-world, if we take the trouble to look, we clearly see the racial machinations our exploiters and oppressors engage in for the purpose of subverting convict unity. The unity of the oppressed against the

Many people fail to acknowledge the primacy of economic relations, as opposed to secondary, or resulting racial aspects in societies. Good bro-

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# COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

During the brief visit Huey P. Newton, leader of the Black Panther Party and Servant of the People, made to the People's Republic of China, a communication was received from our comrades in Japan. Those comrades form the Committee to Support the Black Panther Party, Japan. They had attempted communication with the Black Panther Party in the past, but with very little success. With the help of our Chinese Comrades, our Party was able to finally get the information they had been trying to relay.

They explained, there, their purposes of forming such a group, inside a fascist country like Japan: "1. While Japan is an imperialist and militarist state, it is also under the imperialist control of the U.S. The people, especially the most oppressed people here, get affected most by this. So the people here (including minority people) are oppressed by both imperialists; 2. The struggles and organizing work of your Party are the example that the People in the ghetto can learn directly from, when starting their own organizing work. The idea of Intercommunalism was an enlightenment for many third-world people in Japan."

Because we feel that Black people, particularly, and all oppressed people, in general, inside this country should see and get to know, concretely, the many friends and supporters of our struggle that live all over the world, we are printing here the last letter they had sent to us (a copy of which our Chinese Comrades gave us), followed by our response to it:

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Central Committee  
Black Panther Party

September 25, 1971

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

How are you brothers and sisters? We read and hear about the Black People's struggle in Babylon, and are very anxious to know about you comrades' life, struggle and ideas directly from you--the only people whose messages we can trust.

Since last June, we, the Committee to Support the Black Panther Party, Japan, have not received your paper "Black Panther", nor any letters or

messages. Once we notified you at about the middle of August about our new contact address, for the use of the former P.O. Box had been interfered by the pigs...and since then, we have not received anything. Yes, we understand...But without them, we cannot function as a medium for the oppressed people here, for them to receive direct messages (paper articles, ideas, experiences of your community work, serve-the-people programs).

Who are they that we call "oppressed people of Japan"? They regard you as their teachers (and vanguard, if you do not strictly question the national strategic matters). They think you are their intercommunal friends and comrades. They learned a great deal of intercommunalism from you and the need for survival programs, through the magazine we publish. They are the lumpen proletariat among the Japanese and also the minority people here--Koreans, Chinese and Okinawan. Strictly speaking, those who have a direct contact with us are the community organizers who became conscious of the necessity to make revolution and are convinced to work as a political vehicle for the people. They are not elitist students, they are not union bureaucrats--but they are the vanguard of the oppressed communities and were born from the people. That is why they think there is very little for them to learn from the "revolutionary students" and reformist unionists' rhetoric. But there is so much for them to learn from you--concerning defense and survival of the community, the role of the vanguard in the communities, the A to Z method (the process, how people get politicized and revolutionary). They do not and cannot trust the prestigious "revolutionaries" or the "proletariat", because they are, in short, the Third World and Colony people inside Japan. They relate to you far more than they do to the "established left" here.

Concretely, they are:

## INTERCOMMUNAL REVOLUTIONISTS LEAGUE

based in the ghetto area in Tokyo. This is a group of young lumpens (many of whom are working in small factories on a daily basis and going to night schools, in the evening). They themselves, and the other people living in this area, were forced to leave their land and brought to Tokyo as cheap labor. The others



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living there are the minority people who were also forced to come to Japan (to end up in the ghetto, as a matter of course in this racist, imperialist Japan -- younger brother of Amerikkka). This group has rejected all the elitist leadership or influence of the "new left" and is now preparing for serve-the-people and survival programs in the ghetto -- community schools for both organizers and children, political education courses, where they study the ideas and experiences of your Party, as well as other revolutionary struggles and struggles for self-determination. They want to have more information on your experiences. They have also been actively corresponding with their ghetto brothers in jail--those who are victims of the society's crime. They have been engaged in this for the last six months.

## SOUTH OSAKA LIBERATION FRONT,

based in Kamagasaki (ghetto in Osaka). This group correctly practices all the lessons of Mao Tse-tung and has been active for about three years in this area. Kamagasaki is really a boiling pot of contradictions among groups of most oppressed peoples--Japanese lumpens, Buraku people, Koreans (most concentrated here all over Japan), Chinese. Some of their active programs are: Community defense



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*Black Panther Party, Japan? What  
the liberation of the People?*

they say they learned about this from the BPP), community school, and job services. They also help the people with their legal cases, for day after day there are spontaneous riots. This group has become a branch of our committee, mainly to take care of the circulation of the magazine whereby to circulate your ideas among the people there.

**YOUNG CHINESE ORGANIZATION,** working in the communities as well. They have once been heavily influenced by the "new left", but in summer last year, they made a statement urging the Japanese "revolutionaries" to deal with their own racism and chauvinism before they ever talk about the minority people. Since then, they have been concentrating their efforts on search of identity and serve-the-community works. They practice Chairman Mao's lessons, but they think they cannot totally identify themselves with the People's Republic of China--because their history is a history of colonized peoples in the heart of Japanese imperialism. Their history is so particular that they relate more to the Koreans and Okinawans and Buraku people here than to the people in China, in terms of the revolution they are to make.

**SOLATED ISLAND** is a group of young

Okinawans fighting for self-determination of Okinawa. Identity question is also very crucial for them. The ruling class and even the masses of the Japanese think and say Okinawans are Japanese, and are proud of having achieved its reversion to Japan.

However, this group consistently questions this "accepted" assumption, for the past history of Okinawa and Japan shows that Okinawa was not and is not a part of Japan, but a colony. With reversion, Okinawa might become a part of Japan (still as a colony), whereas for the past 25 years it has been sold off to the United States. It was put under U.S. military control, because it was a colony to Japan, and now it is still deemed to exist as a colony to serve Japanese imperialism. This group believes unless they restore their identity and self-determination, there is no possibility for the people of Okinawa and Japan to have an intercommunal relationship.

All these groups, and others, read our magazine every issue and still want more information. Some of them have already organized study sessions, and some copied your programs from our magazine. They want an everlasting and constant communication with you.

Then who are WE, that have been explaining about all these people? What is the Committee to Support the Black Panther Party, Japan? What responsibility do we have for the liberation of the people?

You might remember the letter we wrote you last year, which later was published in your paper. The letter was titled as, "Letter from the International Bureau of Red Army, Japan". Now we are the Committee to Support the Black Panther Party, Japan, and not the International Section of Red Army. Red Army is still active in "urban guerrilla" actions. But we left the group because of our self-criticism of the past activities. The members of the Committee do not think we are the vanguard of Japanese revolution, and have stopped trying "to teach and force the people to make revolution". We were elitist, self-destructive and most importantly, we were apart from the people. We did not know what the people really wanted, nor did we recognize what potential the people have. Many of the "new left" activists have felt the same way and started doing new things anarchistically. Some are in the farm area serving the people, some are in the

ghetto working as lumpens. But we realize no matter what life-style we might put ourselves in, it alone does not change our mind and attitudes automatically. We might still be elitist as well as self-justifying. If we had a strong myth of the "people" as a reflection of our self-criticism of the past, we might lose all the disciplines and principles when talking and working with the people. There is a danger that we might say, probably as Eldridge Cleaver did, "you are the vanguard so you might fight", and force the people (of course, the people will reject that kind of an attitude) to do what and to think how. Before directly working with the people in the community as a political organizer, or before even expecting the people to accept us, we think we've got to learn a lot from the people and the people's organizers, so that we would not make the same mistake as Cleaver did (because the victims of the mistake would not be us, but the people).

So as a serve-the-people and serve-the-people's organizer work, we started the Committee to answer the demand from the people that they want to know about you. We have been and still now think that your ideas are great and that you are the vanguard party. But we also admit that such people as we explained to you in this letter relate to you practically. That is why we have no intention to monopolize the information or contact and so forth. We just act as a medium. But, of course, in the process, we benefit from this service, in that we learn from the people. Toward the "new left", we also circulate the magazine in an attempt to correct all their arbitrary interpretation of the Black Panther Party. Most of them are also your "fans", but in a totally different sense. All we could have heard about you through bourgeois press were like: Black militants killing and blowing up in the ghetto; shooting between black militants and pigs; prison riot and the militants killed the guards, etc. They don't know your survival programs, they don't know about your idea on party-people relation, and they don't know your intercommunalism...

We shall send this letter through a few people, besides sending it directly to you, so that this should surely be in your hand.

**ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!  
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!**  
Committee to Support the Black Panther Party, Japan

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# COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, JAPAN



*Surely the oppressed Japanese and American peoples are not enemies.*

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Dear Comrades,

The policy of American intervention certainly does not exclude the U.S. postal service. Some things may travel via the U.S. mails; some may not. It is a decision based upon the needs and desires of the U.S. ruling circle (when they have the opportunity). It is unfortunate that they could separate our voices. They cannot, however, divide our common effort to wage struggle against U.S. imperialism and its friends, the Eisaku Sato regime of Japan. They cannot hold back that message, for it has already leaked out, spelling their inevitable doom and our common victory: The return of Power to the People.

However, we can know each other and work together in the interest of our Peoples. We know that the support you offer of the Black Panther Party is not of our organization, per se, but of the struggle of all Black and poor people inside the U.S. Surely the oppressed Japanese and American peoples are not enemies. It was the U.S. government which on August 6, 1945 "tested" its bomb upon the people of Hiroshima and again on August 9, 1945, upon the people of Nagasaki, because of the contradiction it had with its friend, the Japanese Imperialist government, there being no honor among thieves. It was not the American people who wished this, or voted for it, or even knew of it, though these vicious bombings were re-

presented as the common desire of the American People, and as a "safe-guard" for the American people. The lies that have since been perpetrated by both fascist governments have served in their attempt to divide our peoples, to the interest of the Japanese and U.S. ruling circles. Even today, more specifically, the contradictions revealed between Black GI's based on Okinawa and some of the Okinawan people exist because of lies and treachery put forward by the U.S. government and its lackey Sato regime. They are new dogs with old tricks of divide and conquer. Our very communication, the mere exchange of words and ideas, our unity of purpose is defeating to their evil designs. This is the importance of the Committee to Support the Black Panther Party in Japan. It is another gap bridged among the oppressed peoples of the world.

Comrades, it was especially inspiring to learn also of the unity among the oppressed Japanese people and minority peoples. The building of such unity among the people is an example to which we ourselves must look. Through the joining of forces of the Intercommunal Revolutionary League, the South Osaka Liberation Front, the Young Chinese Organization, the Isolated Island Group and yourselves, the peoples these organizations represent can become unified and defeat the plan inside Japan to maintain racist divisions among oppressed peoples. This is a situation we understand well, for while the poor of some races

fight with the poor of other races here inside the U.S., the winner is always the U.S. government. These ideas are pushed even more by the U.S. government every day, for the poor and oppressed of all races, here, are beginning to understand their common enemy. The best example was the uprising at Attica State Prison in New York. There, inmates (mostly Black and Puerto Rican) and guards (all white) alike were murdered on the orders of New York's governor Rockefeller and U.S. president Nixon. Both (inmates and guards) were victims, divided by the common enemy. When it no longer suited that enemy's interest to point out the division, it moved equally against them both, and with equal vigor.

You were correct in your understanding of some of the deviations our Party made from what we call our "Original Vision". That is, we left our people, Black people particularly, in favor of what we believed to be a "higher" understanding of how to fight the enemy. Many people were opposed to our return to the original vision. We have been singled out to suffer all kinds of slanderous statements by the "super revolutionaries" and counter-revolutionaries. However, our love for and ties with our people, with the masses of people have never been closer. The attempts to destroy our Party can only be viewed in their weakness. The Black Panther Party is not the issue here. It is the survival and victory of the masses of Black and other oppressed people. If the Party is not one with the people, no idea, no action to which we commit ourselves can serve to progress the Revolution. It can only impede the process and put victory farther back.

Finally, let us say that the development of revolutionary intercommunalism is an extension of the fundamental principles by which all successful revolutionary struggles have been waged. It is, by our belief, a progressive step toward true peace and freedom upon the earth. For the recognition of the common oppressor, in whose hands lies the plunder and spoils from all our peoples, leads to a common struggle, and eventually a common victory for all the people of the world. This victory can then be commonly shared and many unnatural divisions broken down in the interest of all humanity. We can envision the day on which this will lead to a human culture, a human land, a human society, serving the interest of all humanity.

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*Huey P. Newton*

Huey P. Newton  
Black Panther Party

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# PEOPLE'S PETITION

**FOR IMMEDIATE PAROLE OF BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA PRISON SYSTEM OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND WITH A RETRIAL JURY OF HIS PEER-GROUP.**

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WE THE PEOPLE, RESIDENTS OF THE WORLD COMMUNITY, IN THE SPIRIT OF REVOLUTIONARY INTERCOMMUNALISM, DO HEREBY REDRESS OUR GRIEVANCE AND PETITION THE COURTS OF AMERICA AND THE CALIFORNIA STATE GOVERNMENT AND PAROLE BOARD; THAT DAVID HILLIARD BE RELEASED FROM HIS PRISON INCARCERATION IN THE CALIFORNIA PENAL SYSTEM TO THE PEOPLE OF OUR COMMUNITIES ON PAROLE OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND.

BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD, POLITICAL PRISONER AND CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, WAS IN FACT WRONGFULLY CONVICTED ON FALSE CHARGES BY A PREDOMINATELY WHITE RACIST JURY, AS ALL MEMBERS OF THE OAKLAND BLACK COMMUNITY WERE SYSTEMATICALLY ELIMINATED FROM THE JURY SELECTION PROCESS IN HIS TRIAL.

IN LIGHT OF THESE FACTS, WE THE UNDERSIGNED, THEREFORE PETITION THAT DAVID HILLIARD BE GRANTED HIS HUMAN AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, THAT IS, PAROLE FROM PRISON OR AN APPEAL BAIL BOND BY THE AMERICAN COURTS PENDING APPEAL OF HIS CASE BEFORE HIGHER COURTS, AND THAT HIS RETRIAL JURY BE OF HIS PEERS, A TRUE REPRESENTATION OF A CROSS SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY.

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# WITH LOVE, FROM DAVID

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the many people who have sent the heartwarming cards and letters and also those who have signed petitions for his release on parole or an appeal bailbond. Folsom officials have even attempted to thwart David's attempt to make this human response. Following, however, is a letter of thanks:

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**To The People:**

*Because of the vicious repression of the inhuman administration at Folsom Prison, David Hilliard, Chief of Staff of the Black Panther Party, was unable to send out a personal note of thanks to you, the People. He was able to tell us of the incident, however: "...I wrote a brief thank-you note to the People circulating and signing the petitions. It was returned to me from the mail sergeant, stating I could not*



write to people or a group through another person...".

Therefore, on behalf of David Hilliard, the Chief of Staff of the Black Panther Party, we extend our warmest thanks for your letters and efforts to Free David Hilliard. It is only through such genuine and united efforts that David and all political prisoners will be freed.

We will not cease in our efforts to free David and all political prisoners. We will continue the fight to break the chains of oppression that bind the minimum social prisons of our oppressed communities and the concrete and steel fortresses of our maximum prison communities.

Your overwhelming efforts and support must be continued, so that together we can Free the Chief of Staff and accelerate our struggle for the freedom of all oppressed people, everywhere.

**ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
FREE THE CHIEF!**

**BLACK PANTHER PARTY**

NOTE: David is scheduled to appear before the Parole Board (California Adult Authority) in early December. Letters urging his release may be sent to: California Adult Authority, c/o Folsom Prison, Represa, California 95373

# YOU CAN BE CONTROLLED

**ONLY IN AMERICA CAN A RIZZO BECOME MAYOR**



Rizzo just does not like children, especially Black ones.

despite the strong support of the Black community for it. Of course, the bar owners voted for Rizzo, which was all he wanted in the first place. Rizzo just does not like children, especially Black ones.

Though the Black community is crawling with police and the city is millions of dollars in debt, Rizzo says he will hire 2,000 more policemen. (The city has at least 7,000 on the force, which is the largest ratio of policemen per population in the entire Empire.) On the drug problem, which is poisoning the Black community, Rizzo said that the drug problem hasn't grown within the past 10 years: It's just that "junkies" get more publicity. This man has even told us that he will fill the key positions in city government with businessmen, which will insure that this city will be run in the interests of big business, as usual. Again, the Black community is ignored. Speaking of his appointments in city government, the first thing he did when elected was appoint his brother, Joseph, as Fire Commissioner. This move, which ended up turning off

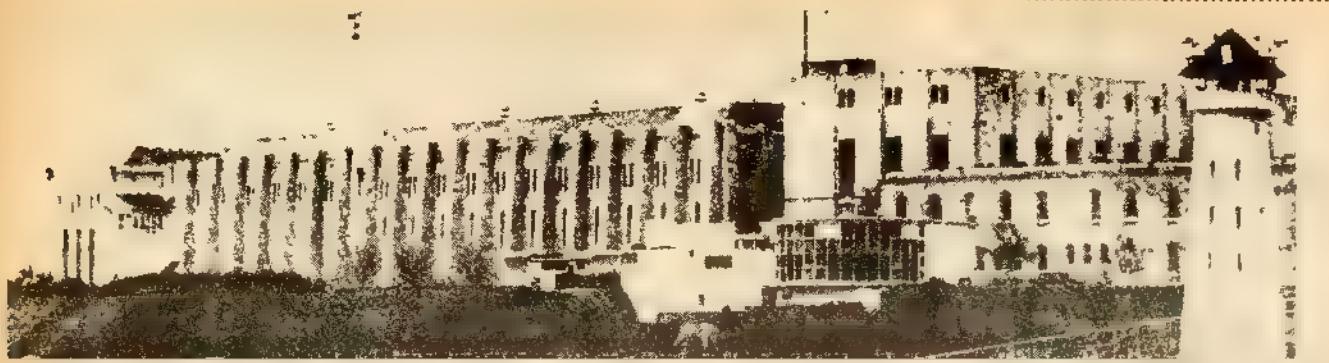
even some of those who had supported him in the election, was justified by saying that JFK appointed his brother as Attorney General. Thus, the Rizzo dynasty is trying to entrench itself completely in power.

That power, however, is pretty shaky. One thing Rizzo's candidacy did was to solidly unite the Black community against him. Black people went to the polls by the thousands on election day and said NO to Rizzo (except for a very few, whose thinking processes have been disrupted by their oppression). In spite of the fact that our "no" wasn't quite as loud as the "yes" given to Rizzo by racists, fascists and others, the Black community and other progressive people will not take his repression lying down. He will inevitably go the way of all the tyrants in history--to ignominious defeat.

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Pennsylvania Chapter  
Black Panther Party

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Black children. Last summer, he opposed a proposed bar tax which would have raised millions for the school system. The bar tax wasn't passed,



# UNITY OF CONVICTS

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organized power of the oppressor. The administrators candidly admit that they control us only with overt or at least tacit cooperation. A united convict population could transform this, or any such institution into a progressive institution, responsive to the needs of the population.

Many believe that convict unity is only a fantasy. This concept is viewed as unrealistic and impractical by those who only see the racial contradictions of the past. "Unity would be a righteous state of affairs and would indeed provide us with some degree of power over our existence", say others, who are too subjective to work toward unity. Until now, the concept of the political unity of the oppressed has been dismissed, in spite of the universal appeal and practicality of such a move.

We "dreamers" view the struggle within the walls as merely a reflection of the world-wide struggle. We take the position that this is a contest, pitting the oppressed against the oppressor; and further, that at the core of this conflict is found unmitigated class violence of the first order. Understanding this, we have to adjust to objective reality, the way things are, and deal from there. Our goal is unity of all convicts, so that we will be in

a position to force a transformation of this institution. We, as social transformers, understand that neither wishes, hopes, nor dreams will bring about the desired condition of unity. Only hard work, ideological struggle against incorrect ideas, combined with practical activity on an economic level will bring about what we need. A unity of purpose and will of all convicts.

The first steps toward this united front must take place within the ranks of the activists of the various ethnic groups. To whatever direction we turn, the people will look and judge us. If we are moving in the correct direction, the general population will support us. With this in mind, we reject institutionalized racism and welcome contacts and ideological struggle with all activists.

What we aim to accomplish will ultimately benefit us, where we can feel it. That is in our trust funds and in our increased purchasing power in the canteen. In the face of our united front, we will be able to improve conditions in every block and wing of the institution, from the areas of minimum security to the dehumanizing adjustment centers and death row.

This solidarity will not blossom forth over-night; nothing worth having comes without struggle. We shall begin to clear the mind of racism from the eyes

of our people, while establishing lines of communication with white and third world ethnic groups. We shall merge with the industrial population, so that we can teach and set the correct example. When the time comes for action, the workers will readily emulate us. The industries, offices, kitchen, hospital, the whole institution will feel the might of the power of the convict.

Wage hikes and/or reduction of prices in the inmate canteen, so that prices directly reflect a survival standard between the cost of items and prison wages; the establishment of pay numbers for all convict jobs; and the creation of a convict union to handle wage negotiations, chosen from among convicts by convicts. These can be initial demands, non-negotiable demands. Once this union has become functional, we will have the power to effect far reaching changes that will concretely benefit all convicts.

This is in brief what it is, and how we shall move in order to bring about a new reality. Our ultimate goal being the negation of the whole repressive penal system. Our actions here will merely be a step in that long process toward the total society's eventual transformation. A to Z and beyond.

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## PARENTS, FRIENDS AND RELATIVES OF SAN QUENTIN INMATES

The Black Panther Party has noticed that those people who have been able to travel from other places to the Bay Area are having great difficulty getting from airports and bus stations out to San Quentin Prison itself.

Therefore, to meet your needs, we are offering transportation from the airport, etc. to the prison and back.

When you arrive in the Bay Area - or you can call ahead of time and give us your arrival time and information - please contact our Central Headquarters office and we will send transportation for you. If possible, come by the Central Headquarters Office and we can take you from there.

### CONTACT FOR TRANSPORTATION TO SAN QUENTIN:

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"...They don't want Black People around anyway.... They're tried to stop my parents; they're not going to stop me."

## HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE CAMPS

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however, only a preview of what could become a part of government controlled, day-to-day living throughout this country. Traditionally, this town is a testing ground for "crime" control measures. The "No-Knock Law", once a local system of police control, is spreading all over the country.

Another interesting fact is that there have been a recent series of grants from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) to Action for Children in Trouble (ACT), of the

Social Service Administration, which includes \$20,000.00 toward computerizing information on truants (young people) in the city. As one ACT spokesman said, "We don't pretend to be the answer, we just want to document the problem." Sounds more like a quote from J. Edgar Hoover's spy bureau. Surveillance never ends.

If this Council can pull this off, it will be guaranteed that they will take this action to other cities. That is why it is important that we destroy this myth here: That this program has nothing to do with "crime" preven-

tion, but with the preparation of the broad masses of Black and oppressed people for the urban concentration camps.

One thing for certain is that the regulation will meet some very heavy resistance. As one Sister put it, "I'm not going to stop partying or being out there. I'll still come home when I get ready. They've tried to stop my parents; they're not going to stop me."

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# COMBATTING GENOCIDE: PART III

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## WHAT IS A "CRISIS"?

When the sickling increases, the blood vessels become more jammed and therefore the symptoms become worse. Doctors call this a "crisis". Crises begin to occur early in life. The first may occur anywhere between the first four months and the first two years of life. They recur days, weeks or months apart for the rest of the person's life.

These "crises" are characterized by very severe pain of joints, back, stomach and bones with fever. They last from several hours to several days.

## WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF G6PD DEFICIENCY?

The person with G6PD Deficiency is free of symptoms until exposed to certain drugs. Upon exposure to drugs such as aspirin, antimalarials and antibiotics, symptoms and signs common to all hemolytic anemias develop; these are: weakness, yellow color of the white of the eyes and dark urine. In severe cases there may be stomach and back pain. These symptoms begin abruptly after exposure to the drug and end in about a week even though exposure to the drug may continue. The symptoms can be prevented entirely by avoiding exposure to the harmful drugs. Unlike Sickle Cell Disease, the symptoms of G6PD Deficiency can be present as early as the tenth day of life.

## DIAGNOSIS HOW IS SICKLE CELL DISEASE DIAGNOSED?

The person with Sickle Cell Disease will have the characteristic symptoms of anemia; he will be tired and weak. In addition he will suffer with episodes of mild to severe pain. Special examination of the blood will reveal the sickled red cells and Hemoglobin S.

## HOW IS SICKLE CELL TRAIT DIAGNOSED?

Usually the person with Sickle Cell Trait, that is, the carrier, does not suffer from symptoms due to the



sickling of cells. However, under certain circumstances he may experience a "crisis" similar to the person with Sickle Cell Disease. For example when the carrier is exposed to high altitudes or anesthesia before surgery he may undergo a "crisis". Therefore, it is important to diagnose this condition. The diagnosis can be made in the same way Sickle Cell Disease is diagnosed; through special examinations of the blood the characteristic sickled cells containing the abnormal Hemoglobin S are found.

## HOW IS G6PD DEFICIENCY DIAGNOSED?

The person with G6PD Deficiency will be unnoticeable until he is exposed to certain drugs. When this occurs he will undergo hemolytic crisis and suffer the symptoms characteristic of hemolytic anemias. (See above). Special examination of the blood will reveal the lack of the crucial enzyme Glucose 6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase.

## HOW IS THE CARRIER OF G6PD DEFICIENCY FOUND?

If a female has an affected brother one should suspect her of being a carrier since her mother is a carrier. Chemical examination of her blood will reveal whether or not she is a carrier of the defect.

## TREATMENT HOW IS THE PERSON WITH SICKLE CELL DISEASE TREATED?

THESE IS NO CURE FOR SICKLE CELL ANEMIA! Treatment consists of relieving the pain of a "crisis" with pain killers and adequate hydration to loosen the jammed sickled cells from the blood vessels. Blood transfusions are sometimes needed. How-

ever, transfusions provide only temporary relief and can be dangerous. Therefore, transfusions should be given with caution.

## CAN SCA CRISIS BE PREVENTED?

NO! At the present time there is no known treatment which will prevent the occurrence of SCA Crisis.

## WHAT ABOUT UREA?

Recently the newspapers and other portions of the media informed the public about a new revolutionary cure for SCA; the use of Urea to relieve the symptoms of SCA Crisis was heralded as the ultimate form of therapy. Even though the urea treatment or modifications of it provide a promising future approach to the problem it is still in the experimental stage. Thus, the urea treatment should be regarded with caution until more is known.

## HOW IS THE PERSON WITH G6PD DEFICIENCY TREATED?

When the person with G6PD Deficiency is exposed to one of the drugs that causes the destruction of the red blood cells (hemolysis) he suffers the symptoms of a hemolytic crisis. Therefore, the best treatment for G6PD Deficiency is prevention. That is, the person with G6PD Deficiency should not be exposed to those drugs that cause the destruction of their red blood cells. However, if exposure to such drugs does occur, the individual is treated primarily by removing the drugs responsible. If the hemolysis is severe then the individual is given a blood transfusion. However, this is rarely necessary.

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# THE THIRD TRIAL OF HUEY P. NEWTON SERVANT OF THE PEOPLE HAS BEGUN

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THIS WILL BE THE FASCISTS THIRD ATTEMPT  
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PRISON. ONLY THE PEOPLE CAN INSURE  
THAT THIS WILL NOT HAPPEN. COME TO  
THE TRIAL AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT.



*If a campaign is not launched and maintained, our people will be ignorant of this government plot for Black Genocide.*

## COMBATTING GENOCIDE: PART III

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### WHAT CAN BE DONE

**Sickle Cell Anemia:** There is no known cure for sickle cell anemia, nor is there an adequate treatment to relieve or prevent the sufferings of its victims. Until recently, it was not even required that Black people take tests to determine whether or not they had sickle cell trait or disease. There is still no program or concrete effort by the U.S. government to prevent or deter the growth of, or find a cure for this disease. The reasons for this are obvious. The U.S. government has no interest in the survival of Black people.

**G6PD Deficiency:** The problems encountered by a G6PD deficient individual can be avoided if he and his doctor are aware of his defect. The symptoms of G6PD Deficiency can be avoided by not using the drugs (antimalarials, certain antibiotics, aspirin, etc.) that cause a crisis in these individuals. This information (as with sickle cell anemia) should be known and part of a person's medical record, as soon after birth as possible.

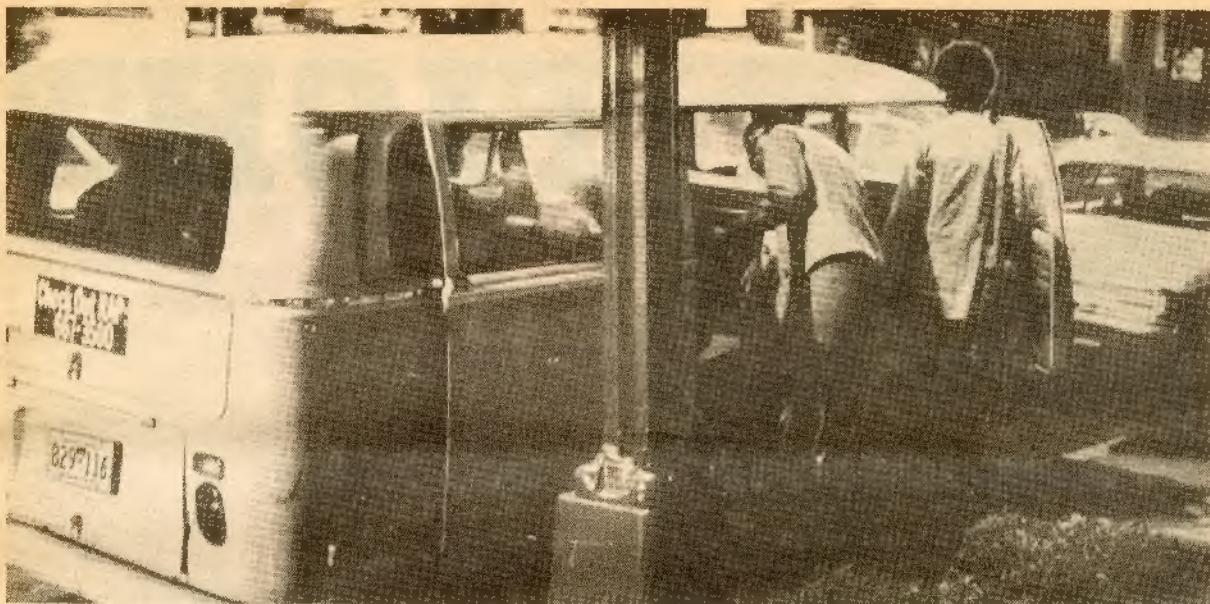
*What can and must be done is a massive educational and research campaign around G6PD (as with sickle*

*cell anemia). If such a campaign is not launched and maintained, our people will be ignorant of this government plot for Black Genocide.*

People can contribute their time, effort and money toward educating other people and finding a cure for these deadly diseases. The Black Panther Party plans to expand the sickle cell testing services of its free clinics to include testing for G6PD. Within two weeks, the Sickle Cell Anemia Research Foundation poster, with an information and donation box (see example on the back page of this issue) will be in stores, businesses and People's Free Health Clinics all over the country. Interested individuals or organizations should contact the Black Panther Party Branch or Chapter in your local area for further information. Or, you may write to Dr. Bert Small, Chairman of People's Free Medical Research Clinics and the Sickle Cell Anemia Research Foundation, c/o P.O. Box 8642, Emeryville, California 94608.

As a people, we must begin to recognize, become conscious and aware of the genocidal plans and designs of this Empire. But, we will fight and we will win the battle to survive, until victory and power belong to the People.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE



**THE WASHINGTON D.C. CHAPTER, BLACK PANTHER PARTY, SPONSORS A FREE BUSSING PROGRAM TO THE LORTON PRISON COMPLEX EVERY THURSDAY EVENING. DINNER IS SERVED AT 6:00 P.M. THE BUS LEAVES AT 6:30 P.M. DEPARTURE IS FROM THE ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2ND & U STS. N.W.**

The program now operates once a week. We realize that the Brothers imprisoned require and deserve more visits from their loved ones. In order to expand the Program to more days in the week and to more prisons in the area, a full size bus is needed. We have recently acquired a school bus, which can hold about 50 people. \$350. is needed for repairs to have it out in the community serving your needs. Also, we intend to initiate a Free Commissary Program, with the help of businessmen and other community members. Contributions are needed to insure a program that will grow according to the needs of the people interested in the Brothers imprisoned in the Maximum security camps.

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## **SCREAMING SILENTLY YOU'RE A MAN**

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and human rights. We are treated like animals because we refuse to compromise with the prison system which has no regards for human rights, and life.

Anything could happen to us here at Parish Prison Annex, 500 Basin Street, and the people on the streets will never know the facts. We may be beaten, gassed, and charged for so-called crimes we didn't commit (like the aggravated escape charge that was put on us for trying to expose the fascism, racism and attempts of genocide that are exclusively surrounding us, perpetrated by the administration). We may even be killed because of our resistance (whenever there is oppression it will breed resistance), and it will be termed, Justifiable Homicide, i

murder of George Jackson, to the brothers of Attica, and which is commonly done whenever a Black or poor and oppressed person resists, or just for existing in a country where corporate fascism and domestic slaughter are rampant.

We are asking and hoping that the people of New Orleans, Louisiana in particular (especially those who are in recognizable positions) and all others who have concern for human life come to our aid, any aid that can be given to protect our lives and assure us of being treated as human beings.

George L. Jackson, the brothers of Attica State Prison, and others have made appeals for help from the people on the outside, but were allowed to be murdered by this country, because the masses of the people didn't take their

calls for help seriously. It is you the people on the outside who have the power to stop the murder and brutality that is taking place in the prisons as well as on the street. It is you who have the power to transform the prison administration, and protect our lives on the inside, as well as those on the outside, starting with the George L. Jackson Prison Solidarity Movement.

We need help immediately, not tomorrow, but yesterday. We here at Parish Prison Annex are sincerely hoping that this appeal for help does not go in vain as others have.

All that has been said here are true facts under penalty of Perjury.

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## BLACK GENOCIDE

GENOCIDE: THE SYSTEMATIC KILLING OR EXTERMINATION OF A WHOLE PEOPLE.

The above photo is of Sonny Jones, age 11, who is a positive sickle cell case. He is standing in front of a magnified illustration of red blood cells taken from a patient in a sickle cell crisis. The cells are sickled, stretching away from their normal donut shape.

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FIGHT SICKLE CELL ANEMIA



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